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Title of Application:	Methods of Use of Fibroblast Growth Factor, Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor and Related Proteins in the Treatment of Acute and Chronic Heart Disease	

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the instant application, please amend the application as indicated below. It is believed that no additional fees are due at this time. However, in the event that fees are required, or if a refund of fees is appropriate, please charge or credit, where necessary, Deposit Account No. 11-0231.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1 - 15.

Please add the following new claims 16 - 53:

16. (New) A method for the systematic, multi-tiered treatment of coronary artery disease by delivery of a formulation comprising one or more therapeutic growth factor proteins, the method comprising the steps of:

- a.) selecting a patient displaying symptoms of acute coronary artery disease;